Criteria for selection of scientists for Foreign Assignments

*451. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA :
SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of scientists from the CSIR have been sent abroad :

(b) if so, what is the number of scientists sent abroad during the last 3 years with the duration of their stay abroad and under what programmes/schemes they were sent abroad; and

(c) what is the selection criteria for sending scientists abroad and whether these criteria are being adhered to strictly and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K.R. NARAYANAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The number of scientists who went abroad during the last 3 years is as follows :

1985-86 — 443
1986-87 — 535
1987-88 540

The visits were for different purposes/programmes e.g. for participation in the Conferences, scientific exchange programmes, bilateral S&T projects, fellowships and training, on study tour and assignments as experts under UNDP pogrammes etc.

The duration normally varied from a few days to a few months/ years under the above programmes.

(c) Selections are made on specific guidelines formulated by an Expert Committee. Under these guidlines the proposals are to be first scrutinised by the Internal Committees at the respective Laboratories/Institutes before recommending to CSIR. The visits under bilateral programmes of CSIR and for collaborative projects are finalised on the recommendations of the High Level Departmental Committee appointed by the Director-General, CSIR. The guidelines laid down are strictly adhered to while making selections for the Scientists' visits abroad.

IAS Officers sent abroad for Training

*452. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY :
SHRI T.R. BALU :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of IAS and IPS officials who have been sent abroad for training during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) what had been the expenditure, year-wise;

(c) what is the number of officers who are proposed to be sent abroad during the current year; and

(d) the details of area/field selected for training abroad?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) to (d) The number of I.A.S. and I.P.S. officers nominated by

Department of Personnel and Training for training abroad for the last three years is as follows :—

	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88
I.A.S.	230	255	198
I.P.S.	2	1	2

The number of I.P.S. officers nominated and sent by Ministry of Home Affairs for training abroad for the last three years is as follow :—

1985-86	1986-87	1987-88
13	*14*	*17*

Officers going on various foreign training programmes abroad are paid their full salary while on training and that is the only expenditure borne by the Government. All other expenses are borne by the funding agencies. Hence the question of maintaining figures of expenditure year-wise does not arise. No exact projection regarding the number of officers to be sent on training during the current year is possible. However, in view of past experience approximately 150 I.A.S. officers and 19 I.P.S. officers are likely to be sent abroad for training during 1988-89. The details of area/field selected for training abroad are listed in the statement below.

Statement

Areas/fields selected for Training abroad by department of personnel and Training.

1. FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION.
2. PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION.
3. MANAGEMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES.
4. AGRICULTURE AND CO-OPERATION.
5. RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION.
6. ECONOMIC ADMINISTRATION.
7. PUBLIC ENTERPRISES/MANAGEMENT/INDUSTRIAL ADMINISTRATION.
8. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT.
9. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.
10. DEFENCE/INTERNAL SECURITY.

Areas/Fields selected for training abroad by Ministry of Home Affairs

1. COURSE ON POLICE COMMAND
2. CRIME PREVENTIVE PLANNING
3. COURSES ON DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM
4. TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND TRAFFIC POLICE ADMINISTRATION
5. PREVENTION OF NARCOTIC OFFENCES
6. TRAINING OF TRAINERS COURSE FOR POLICE OFFICERS

Crackdown on Indian Businessmen in Zambia

*453. SHRI VITHALBHAI M. PATEL : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the 'Nationa Herald' on the 13th August, 1988 under the caption 'Crackdown on Indians';